



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Basford, William C.

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For:

**APPARATUS TO REDUCE BASE DRAG
BEHIND BLUFF BODIES (Amended)**

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REQUEST FOR A THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Commissioner of
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Dear Sir:

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Respectfully submitted,

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